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CHARLES MAYNARD REA -

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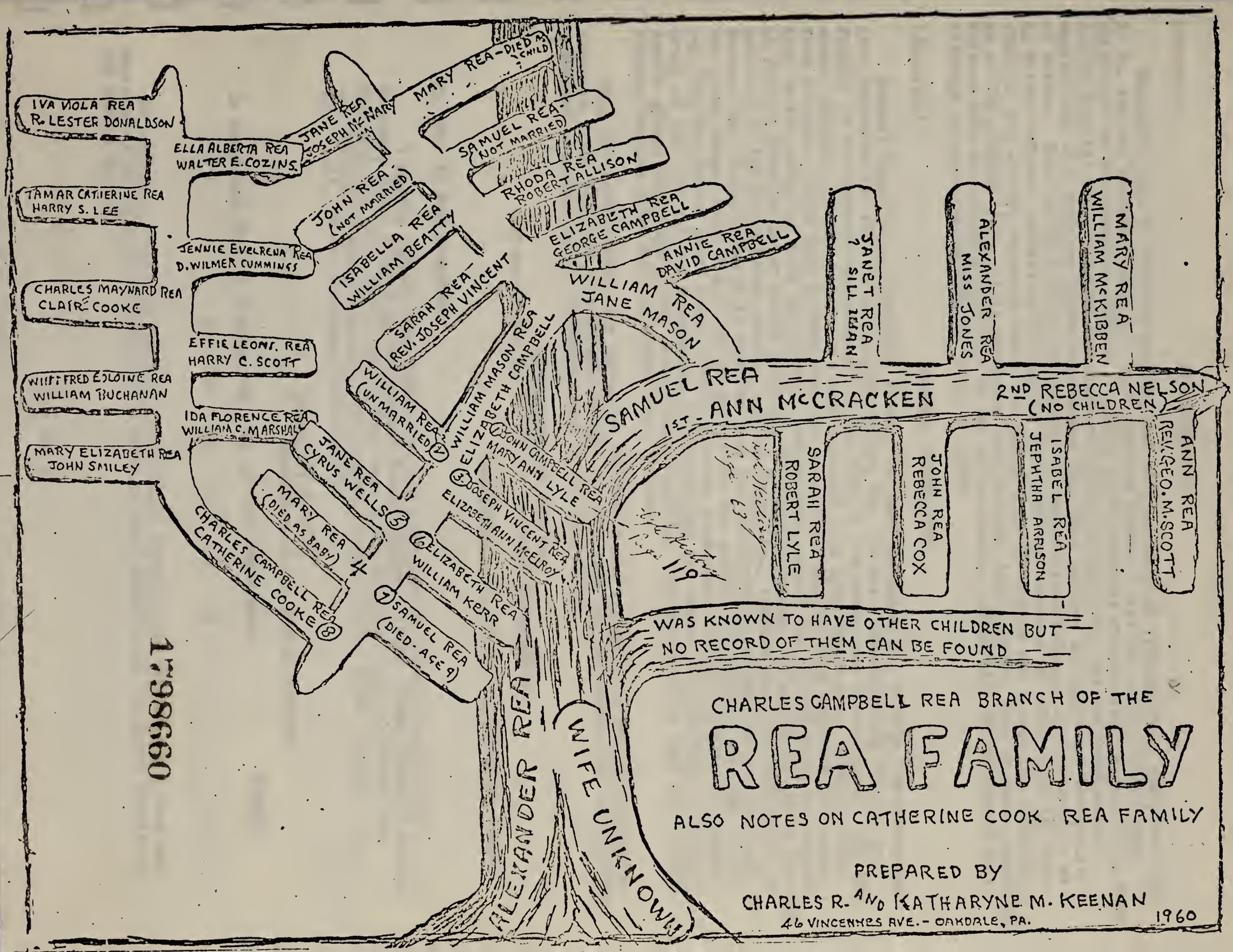
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SAMUEL REA - NOT MARRIED
RHODA REA
ROBERT ALLISON
ELIZABETH REA
GEORGE CAMPBELL
ANNIE REA
DAVID CAMPBELL
TAMAR CATHERINE REA
HARRY S. LEE
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WILLIAM BEATTY
JENNIE EVELENA REA
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REV. JOSEPH VINCENT
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ALEXANDER REA
MISS JONES
MARY REA
WILLIAM McKIBBEN
EFFIE LEONE REA
HARRY C. SCOTT
WILLIAM REA (UNMARRIED)
WILLIAM MASON REA
ELIZABETH CAMPBELL
SAMUEL REA
1ST - ANN McCRACKEN
2ND REBECCA NELSON (NO CHILDREN)
WILFRED EUGENE REA
WILLIAM BUCHANAN
IDA FLORENCE REA
WILLIAM C. MARSHALL
JOHN CAMPBELL REA
MARY ANN LYLE
SARAH REA
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ELIZABETH ANN McELROY
MARY REA (DIED AS BABY)
CHARLES CAMPBELL REA
CATHERINE COOKE
ELIZABETH REA
WILLIAM KERR
SAMUEL REA (DIED - AGE 9)
ALEXANDER REA
WIFE UNKNOWN
WAS KNOWN TO HAVE OTHER CHILDREN BUT NO RECORD OF THEM CAN BE FOUND
CHARLES CAMPBELL REA BRANCH OF THE
REA FAMILY
ALSO NOTES ON CATHERINE COOK REA FAMILY
PREPARED BY
CHARLES R. AND KATHARYNE M. KEENAN
46 VINCENNES AVE. - OAKDALE, PA.
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(Ancestor) ALEXANDER REA

Alexander Rea, of Scottish descent, was born in north of Ireland about the year 1700, A. D., and was numbered among the "wild geese of Ulster," viz: the early Scotch-Irish emigration to the American colonies - having, with thousands of Protestant compatriots, been driven from his native land by the cruel religious persecutions, and the intolerable oppressions of a soulless landed aristocracy that then menaced the peace and tranquility of Ulster. This worthy forbear and colonist of Scotch-Irish lineage, and referred to as an Ulster refugee, settled on the eastern shores of the Delaware in 1734 within the confines of New Jersey, where he reared his family amid the perils and privations incident to an active pioneer life. It is not known when or where Alexander Rea died or where interred. Neither have we authentic knowledge of any of his family, except his one son Samuel Rea, although he was known to have had other children

(Ancestor) COLONEL SAMUEL REA

Colonel Samuel Rea, occupation farmer, was born September 13, 1734 in New Jersey and died September 19, 1813 in Northampton County, Pa. He was a Revolutionary Patriot and founder of the numerous and influential Rea clan of New Jersey and Pennsulvania; and the common ancestor of this clan. His birth occured soon after the arrival of his parents from Ireland. It is said to have been his proud boast that he "was begotten in Ireland, bred on the ocean and born in America." At an early age as the records show, he settled at Martins Creek in Lower Bethel Township, Northampton County, Pa. and is buried in the old cemetery of the Presbyterian Church, Martins Creek, Pa., located about 10 miles north of Easton, Pa. The old church is reported gone but the cemetery is still there, with many of the grave stones toppled and some in piles; the Rea grave not definitely marked. It is reported the Easton court house records show the Reas owned most of the land at Martins Creek at one time and had donated the properties for the church and cemetery. The Lyle family stones were next to the Rea markers orginally. The Rea tract of land was located between Martins Creek and the Great Bethel Church.

When the Revolutionary War commenced in 1775 in the struggle for National independence, he first enlisted as a private in the patriot ranks and subquently was commissioned a Colonel according to the following copy of certification:

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
Of Samuel Rea In The War of National Independence

Harrisburg, Pa., U. S. A., March 24, 1909

To Whom It May Concern:

I hereby certify that Samuel Rea was a Private in Captain John Wilson's Company, Sixth Battalion, Northampton County Militia, 1778. Jacob Stroud Colonel. See page 430, Vol. Eight, Penn'a Archives, Fifth Series: That one Samuel Rea was Colonel of First Battalion, Northampton County Militia 1781. See page 31, Vol. Eight, Penn'a Archives, Fifth Series.

Luther R. Kelker,
Custodian of the Public Records.

In testimony whereof I affix the seal of this Department. (SEAL)

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In subsequent wars the official records will indicate the Rea clan has been well represented by descendants in both the Man and women branches of the armed forces of the United States.

The first Rea clan reunion was assembled at the Rea homestead farm at Rea, Washington County, Pa. on June 27, 1913. The year 1913 was the centennial anniversary of Colonel Samuel Rea's death and it was on this day they met to honor and rejoice in commemorations of the patriotic deeds and sterling virtues of their most remote ancestor of whom they have accurate knowledge. The following verse, signed only as "I. R. M." and compliments of "a clansman" was offered on the program at this reunion: Joseph Rea McKay

A TRIBUTE TO "OUR CLAN" (Air - America)

1.
Ye Sons of Samuel Rea
The "Ulster Refugee,"
Here met this day!
Descent of valient sire,
Tried by unholy fire-
Subdue vindictive ire
We humbly pray.

2.
Assembled from thy hills,
Adown the sparkling rills,
Thy kin to greet;
In gratitude draw nigh,
Beneath the azure sky,
With praise to God on high,
In friendship meet.

3.
Approach with garlands bright,
To honor deeds of might,
Thy fathers dealt.
They stood for Truth and Right,-
Superstition put to flight-
And won the gallant fight,
Thy Despots felt.

4.
Let Campbell, now and Rea,
On this auspicious day,
Their voices raise;
A song of triumph sing;
Due honors to Him bring,
The great Almighty King,
In grateful praise.

5.
This day as brothers stand,
True as a Patriot band,
In Freedom's cause,
"Sweet land of liberty"
Won by thy ancestry,
From Tyrants o'er the sea,
For God's just laws !

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Colonel Samuel Rea was married to Ann McCracken, September 22, 1761. She died at age 45 years on March 27, 1781 and is buried in Northampton County, Pa. They had eight children. On December 10, 1782 he married Rebecca Nelson; his second wife and they had no children. He died September 19, 1813 in his 80th year and was buried in Great Bethel grave yard. The following children were born to him by his first wife, Ann McCracken Rea:

(Ancestor)William Rea - Married Jane Mason, daughter of Thomas Mason.
Sarah Rea - married Robert Lyle, one of the three pioneer brothers of that name who settled in Washington County, Pa. at close of the Revolutionary War, where her family was reared and where many of her numerous descendants now reside.
Janet Rea - Married Silliman.
John Rea - Married Rebecca Cox, of large posterity.
Alexander Rea-Married Miss Jones.
Isabel Rea - Married Jephtha Arrison, a surviving posterity.
Mary Rea - Born 1773. Married William McKibben and they had two children: Samuel Rea McKibben, born Dec. 11, 1801 and Ann McKibben, born Dec. 7, 1802.
Ann Rea - Married the Reverend George M. Scott, who was a Presbyterian minister, long located at Mill Creek, near Hookstown, Beaver County. Numerous descendants of this branch. Ann Rea, his wife, was the grandmother of Mrs. Harrison, wife of United States President Benjamin Harrison.

(Ancestor) WILLIAM REA

William Rea, occupation - farmer. Born in Lower Bethel Township, Northampton County, Pa. September 13, 1762. Died September 28, 1835, aged 74 years. Buried in Presbyterian grave yard, Cross Creek Village, Washington County, Pa. He married Jane Mason, January 24, 1788 in Northampton County, Pa. He is reported to have crossed the Alleghany Mountains on horse back, coming west to Washington County in 1788. Jane Mason Rea, his wife, died September 18, 1854, aged 89 years and is also buried in Cross Creek cemetery. William Rea became prominent as an active and energetic citizen in public affairs and in his church. He was a man of superior force of character and of varied intellectual attainments, and was affectionately known throughout the region as "Squire" Rea as he had served some time as Justice of Peace from 1823. He resided and taught school one winter, a mile and half west of the town of Hickory, Pa. in Mount Pleasant Township. In March 18, 1790 he purchased a tract of land in adjoining township of Cross Creek, located on the Middle Branch of Cross Creek, between Cross Creek Village and West Middletown, Pa., where the present town of Rea (named for the Rea family) is located. This tract of land is described in the following reference on land transactions, which it will be noted is traced back to the original Pennsylvania land grant:

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Abstract of Title of Charles M. Rea - tract land, Cross Creek township, Washington County, Pa. - 121.53 acres

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

No. 1 to John Marshall. Hrs & Assigns. Tract land, "The Seat of Justice"
Enrolled 2 - 17 - 1787. Patent Book P. Vol. 8 - P 274
Recorded Wash. Co. - 12-28-1901 D.B. - 267 - 166

Dated 16" day Feb. 1787. Con. 3 Pounds - 6 Shillings - 9 pence.

Usual reservation of gold and silver ore.

Wash. Co. Survey Book 3 P - 573
"The Seat of Justice." 400½ Acres on waters of Cross Creek in Wash. Co.
Certificate granted to John Marshall by Commissioners appointed by Virginia to adjusted titles to impatented lands in the Counties of Mononga, Yoha. and Ohio entered with ye County Surveyor as appears from the list of entries transmitted from the Surveyors General's Office.
Entry made 20 Jan. 1780. Recorded 5 July 1786.
(signed) Mathew Ritchie
D. S. A.
Presley Nevill

Jno Lupens Esq. S. Gen'l Retd
14 Feb 1787

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John Marshall & Mary Marshall, his wife
to
George Marquis, his heirs and assigns.

Deed dated Sept. 18, 1787 - Ackn'd Sept. 22, 1787
Recorded Sept. 24, 1787 - Vol. 1, Book D, Page 101

Consed. 3 pounds 10 S. 196 3/4 Acres
With usual reservation of Gold and Silver ore.

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George Marquis and Mary Marquis, his wife
to
William Rea, his heirs and assigns.
Deed dated March 18, 1780, ackn'd same date.
Recorded May 26, 1790 - Vol 1 - Book G - Page 125.
Consed. 150 pounds.
196 3/4 Acres - Part of "Seat of Justice" - 400½ Acres.

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(Ancestor) WILLIAM REA - continued

William Rea Sr. and Jane Rea, his wife
Deed September 1, 1835
Recorded Nov. 9, 1854 in Vol. 3 - Book ")" Page 271
Cohsed. $4000 -( 2 purchases) One from George Marquis & Wife. Deed 18 March 1790, and other from Joseph Reed - deed Apr. 1815
275 Acres - 3 roods - 21 perches

The 275-plus acres was later divided: Tract 93 acres to John Rea, north of present Rea farm. This tract is the present Lyle Cooke farm. Tract of 60-plus acres to Joseph Rea, located north west of Rea farm. Tract of 60-plus acres to (Uncle Billy) William Rea and is included in present Rea farm of 121.53 acres.

During the Whiskey Insurrection in Western Pennsylvania in 1794 he was appointed and sent as one of a committee of three, by the whiskey insurrectionists, to meet the United States Army at Braddock's Fields.
Alfred Creigh, LL.D., in his history of Washington County, lists names of almost 150 men who took the oath of allegiance in Cross Creek, September 11, 1794, in the presence of William Rea, Aaron Lyle and Thomas Patterson, Commissioners, after the Whiskey Insurrection battle on July 17th, 1794 at Bower Hill on the Abbott farm, off old Bower Hill Road, adjacent to the present Allegheny County, Pa. Home and Hospital. It seems that all those in this section of western Pennsylvania who were accused of being sympathetic, by admission, deeds or action, in opposition to the newly enacted excise tax at that time, were considered 'offenders.'

He was appointed by the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania in 1823 to the office of Justice of Peace for the townships of Cross Creek, Hopwell and Mt. Pleasant.

To him the following children were born by his wife, Jane Mason Rea:

Annie (or Ann) Rea - Born December 9, 1788 in Northampton County, Pa. married David Campbell. He died November 15, 1858 and she died Sept. 28, 1858. Both are buried in Cross Creek, Pa. cemetery.

(Ancestor)
William Mason Rea - Born March 16, 1790 in Mt. Pleasant Township, Washington County, Pa. Married Elizabeth Campbell. She died August 21, 1868 and he died June 27, 1865, aged 76. Both buried Cross Creek Cemetery.

Elizabeth Rea - Born November 18, 1791 in Cross Creek Township. She married George Campbell.

Sarah Rea - Born October 3, 1793 in Cross Creek Township. Married the Reverend Joseph Vincent.

Rhoda Rea - Born January 22, 1796 in Cross Creek Township. Married to Robert Allison.

Isabella Rea - Born February 6, 1798 in Cross Creek Township. Married to William Beatty.

Samuel Rea - Born May 23, 1800 in Cross Creek Township. Died 1821, aged 21 years.

John Rea - Born August 24, 1802 in Cross Creek Township. Died 1822 aged 20 yrs.

Mary Rea - Born July 13, 1805, Cross Creek Township. Died 1806 aged 16 months.

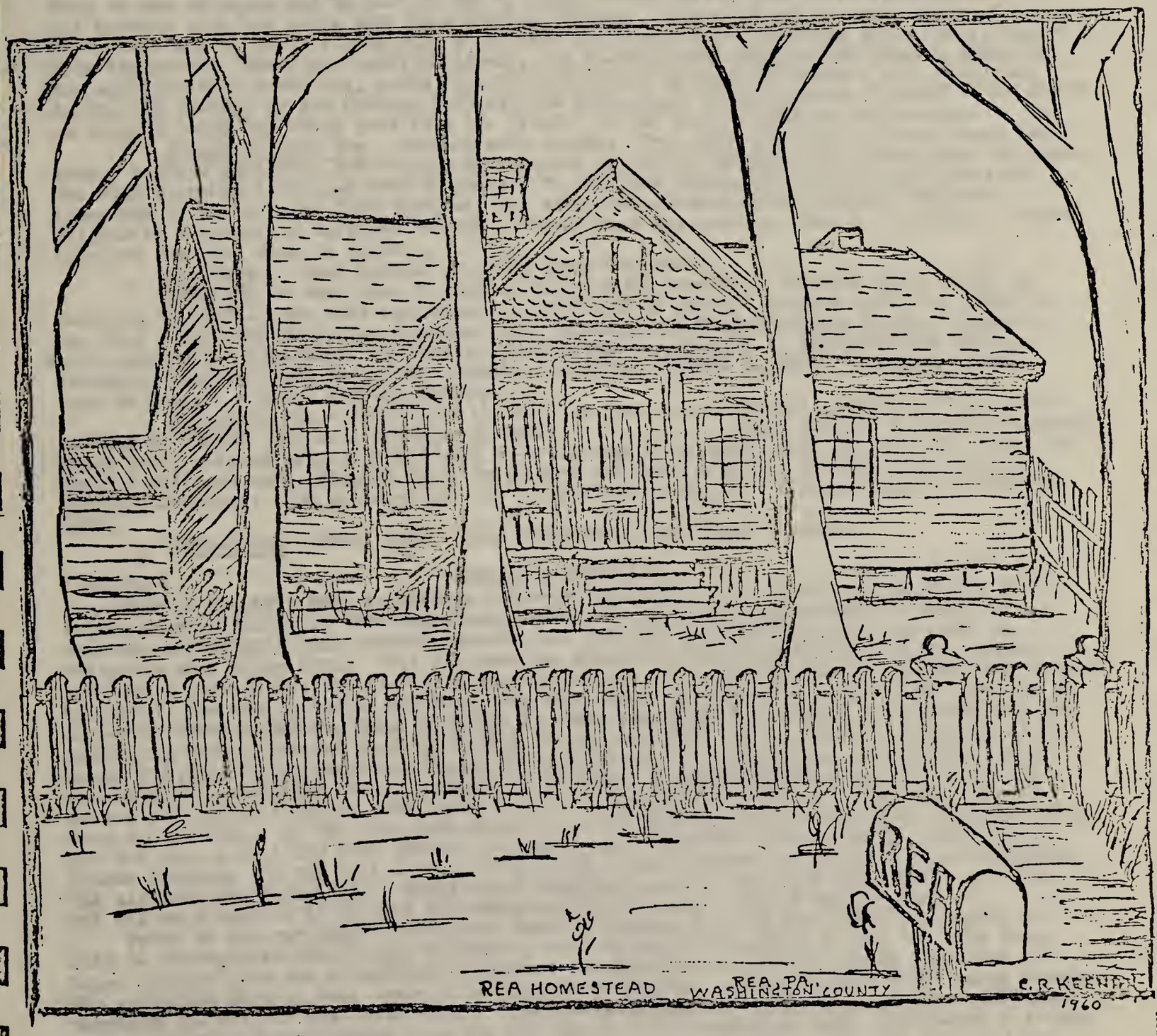
Jane Rea - Born October 8, 1807 in Cross Creek Township. Married Joseph McNary.

(Ancestor) WILLIAM MASON REA

William Mason Rea - occupation farmer. Born in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, Pa., March 16, 1790. He married Elizabeth Campbell, December 26, 1811. She died August 21, 1868 aged 75 years. He died June 27, 1865. Both buried in Cross Creek cemetery.

To them the following children were born:

John Campbell Rea - Farmer. Born March 19, 1813 in Cross Creek Township. He married Mary Ann Lyle. He died September 24, 1882. She died April 3, 1907. Born to them 5 girls and 5 boys. (1) James L., physician, married Elizabeth Anderson. (2) William M., farmer, married 1st-Martha Keys and 2nd-Nan McElroy. (3) S. Jefferson, farmer, married Sarah J. Graham. (4) Leander, farmer - married Angeline Keys. (5) Joseph - farmer, married Clara White. (6) Elizabeth Rea married David M. Pry. (7) Mary married John W. Pry.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(Ancestor) WILLIAM MASON REA - continued

married James D. Cooke
(8) Alice Rea married Ewing McWreath of McDonald, Pa. (9) Eliza and (10) ____ daughter, died in infancy.

William (Uncle Billy) Rea Born December 19, 1815 in Cross Creek Township. He was unmarried. Died December 7, 1884, aged 69 years and buried in Cross Creek cemetery. When he was 18 years old he lost an eye by being struck with a pick while standing back of his brother John Rea while they were working together. Later he had the misfortune of losing his either eye by being struck with a splinter while they were unloading fence rails, hauled from the woods. After his total blindness, Ida Florence Rea, daughter of Charles Campbell Rea and Catherine Cooke Rea, cared from him constantly in feeding, shaving etc. until his death. He resided at the Charles Campbell Rea home, which is the present 1½ story frame house on present Route 28, which parallels the creek. He was always known as Uncle Billy.

Joseph Vincent Rea occupation - farmer. Born June 22, 1818 in Cross Creek Township. Married Elizabeth Ann McElroy on November 26, 1840. He died April 1900, aged 82 years. She died December 1878 aged over 60 years. To them the following children were born: Dr. Alexander M. Rea married Tamar Cochran, and after her death married Isabella Coulter. - William M. Rea married Margaret Acheson. - Nancy Jane Rea married James W. McDowell. - Three boys and one girl died in infancy.

Mary Rea - Died October 21, 1821 aged 8 months.

Jane Rea - Born June 4, 1823 in Cross Creek Township. Married Cyrus Wells on December 22, 1842. She died September 26, 1853 aged 30 years. He died April 25, 1884, in his 63rd year. The following children born: Alexander Wells married Anna Berry. - William Wells married ___ Robinson. - John Wells married Clara Amspoker. - John Wells died 1822. - Joseph Wells married Anna Sheppard. - Ruth Wells married Clinton Morford. - Caroline died, aged 15 years. - Helen died in infancy. -

Elizabeth Rea - Born April 19, 1828 in Cross Creek Township. Married William Kerr on June 27, 1849. She died December 5, 1883. They had the following children: (1) Isaac Kerr, married Matilda Neil. Died at their home in Hammond, Ind. on March 30, 1929; and their 3 children were, William Kerr, Della Kerr and Charles Kerr. (2) Ella Kerr married Theodore Campbell. Two children (3) and (4) died in infancy. William Kerr died February 1862.

Samuel Rea - Born 1832. Died February 1, 1839, aged 7 years.

(Ancestor) CHARLES CAMPBELL REA

Charles Campbell Rea, occupation - farmer. Born April 25, 1834 in Cross Creek, Washington County, Pa. at the Rea homestead, which was a log house surrounded by locust trees near the top of hill just several hundred feet from the old log barn which is still in daily use as a dairy barn. This log barn has since been enlarged to, including a modern silo and a milk processing plant for shipping milk. It is now completely covered with weatherboarding. The old log house has long been torn down, and about the time of his marriage to Catherine Cook at Dalton, Ohio, November 27, 1856, he built the present wood frame, one and half-story house, located near the bottom of the same hill, on the public road which is now Route 28, paralleling the Middle Branch of Cross Creek. This house was also surrounded by locust trees, presumably for lightening protection. A picket fence around the house was always kept painted white. The house contains 5 bedrooms, a parlor, living room, dining room and kitchen. In the rear yard adjacent to the back porch is a one-story frame building, divided into a coal and wood storage and wash house. Part of it was used at times for a Summer kitchen. On the east side of this building was attached a high post which supported the old familiar farm bell. Their eight daughters and one son were all born in this home and all were married in it with the exception of the son. - (Uncle Charley Rea)

Prior to his marriage to Catherine Cook of Dalton, Ohio on November 27, 1856, it is said he accompanied Robert Lyle to Dalton, Ohio by stage on a visit to the Asa Cook farm home. Robert Lyle was a bachelor brother of the grandfather of the present Lyle Cook of the adjoining farm in Rea, where Lyle Cook still resides. It was on this visit when Charles Campbell Rea met for the first time a very pretty young lady by the name of Catherine Cook. After Catherine Cook's mother died she was raised by her Aunt Katy Reed, presumably a sister of her father, Asa Carpenter Cook. Her father remarried. Evidently Charles Campbell Rea made several trips to Dalton. It is reported Catherine Cook always seemed to have more than her share of chores to do. After their marriage in Dalton, Ohio they settled in Cross Creek Township, Pennsylvania on the Rea farm where their nine children were born. He died on October 12, 1900 at his home and is buried in the Cross Creek, Pa. cemetery. Catherine Cook Rea, who was born August 4, 1839, died April 11, 1921, aged 83 years, while visiting her daughter Mrs. Iva Viola Donaldson in Columbus, Ohio. She was buried in Cross Creek cemetery.

The following resolutions were passed November 27, 1886 at the Thirtieth Anniversary of the marriage of Charles Campbell Rea and Catherine Cook Rea:

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"Whereas we are here assembled to celebrate the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Marriage of Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Rea.

Resolved that we take this method of expressing our high esteem of our friends Mr. & Mrs. Rea; offering to them our sincere congratulations; wishing them many happy returns of this anniversary; and hoping that they and their children may be blessedwith a further continuance of good health and prosperity.

Resolved that it is with the greatest of pleasure that we partake of their hospitality on this occasion and enjoy the friendship of this household, and bear our testimony that the high esteem in which they are held in this community speaks louder than words can express.

Resolved that in future years the memory of this enjoyable occasion will be cherished as an oasis on which we can look back with pleasure."

(Signed) - R. T. Johnson, E. P. Johnson, David F. Cummins, E. Cummins, James Simpson, White Simpson, David E. McNary, J. M. K. Reed, M. P. Reed, J. W. Brownlee, M. E. P. Brownlee, C. C. Reed, M. H. Reed, D. C. Reed, J. D. Cooke, E. A. Cooke and ~~Zigge~~ Lizzie Coogle.

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To Charles Campbell Rea and Catherine Cook Rea the following children were born:

MARY (Mollie) ELIZABETH REA

Born September 6, 1858 in Cross Creek Township. Married John Nathan Smiley, farmer on December 28, 1882 She died February 17, 1953. Both are buried Robinson U. P. church cemetery in Robinson Township, Washington County, Pa. To them the following children born:

Eva Leoni Smiley Born March 30, 1884. Married September 10, 1909 to the Reverend Robert Ferguson Galbreath, minister, who preached in Bellevue, Pa. and New Castle, Pa. districts, and also served as president of Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pa. Their children: (A) Robert Ferguson Galbreath, Jr., born July 10, 1911. Married Dorothy Bingham and the following children: Carol, Dec. 29, 1934 and Robert III, Dec. 19, 1942. Dorothy Bingham died August 1946. (A) Robert Jr. then married Louise Johnston and their son is John, born Jan, 15, 1949. (B) Dale Smiley Galbreath, born May 5, 1913. Married Verle Morrison, Dec. 3, Their children are William, June 22, 1936 and Roberta, October 6, 1942. (C) John Henry Galbreath, born April 6, 1920. Presbyterian minister. Married Joan Graham, June 13, 1945 and their children: Glenn, Dec. 25, 1946. - Suzie, Dec. 2, 1949 - Peter, June 19, 1951 - Joy, Sept. 9, 1952 - John Leonard, Sept. 27, 1954 - Lisa Harper, Jan. 1957. (D) Mary Galbreath (twin) born April 14, 1923, married Don Kidd, Sept. 2, 1951 and their children: Elizabeth, Nov. 19, 1952, Ellen, 1954 and David, (E) Ruth Galbreath (twin) born April 14, 1923, Married Rev. Ed. DeLair on June 28, 1947 and their children are: Patty, Jan. 25, 1948, Becky, Nov. 4, 1950 and Eddie, 1955.

Earl Smiley, farmer. Born March 30, 1886. Married Agnes Smith, February 18, 1914. Their children: (A) Jane Smiley, born Feb. 19, 1915. Married Rev. Joseph Brownlee on Oct. 5, 1940. (B) Rea Smiley, born Feb. 26, 1917, married Barbara Smith on July 28, 1947 and their children are: Russell, May 10, 1948 and Mary Linn, August 7, 1950. (C) Lois Smiley died December 18, 1932.

Charles Smiley, born September 5, 1890. Married Grace Baker in March 1915. Their son Charles Raymond Smiley, Jr., born Sept. 6, 1917. Married Eileen Work, Oct. 22, 1950 and have three children: Donna Jean,

Lena Florence Smiley, born February 15, 1887. Married James C. Keenan, Oakdale, Pa. He was Chief Accountant, Pa. R. R., Philadelphia. They had no children. She died on March 17, 1950 and is buried in Oakdale, Pa. cemetery. d. of February 24, 1968

Leman Cook Smiley, farmer. Born April 22, 1893. Married Frances McDonald Davis. D. of Sept. 29, 1961 Their children are: (A) Paul, October 3, 1915. Married Marie Love on Oct. 20, 1947, and their children are Joan, Jan. 19, 1948 and Nancy, Oct. 2, 1950. (B) Reamond, born Oct 10, 1919. Married Beryl Briggs, Oct. 16, 1946 and their children are Carol Ann, July 3, 1947. Linda Rea, Dec. 8, 1949. Ruth Marie, June 9, 1951. (C) Betty, Oct. 2, 1917. Married William Craig, Jan. 21, 1936 and their sons are: James, Nov. 29, 1936 and William, Aug. 5, 1940. (D) Dorothy, born May 5, 1923. Married Howard Harper, Dec. 3, 1940, and their children: Betty Jane, Nov. 9, 1941. Aladean, March 3, 1943. William James, Nov. 23, 1946.

Elizabeth Marie Smiley Born September 19, 1895. Married Elmer E. Harper, Burgettstown, Pa., June 27, 1925. No children.

## IDA FLORENCE REA

Born February 6, 1860 at the old homestead on Rea farm, Rea, Pa. in Cross Creek Township. Married on December 26, 1888 to William Clark Marshall, undertaker, Oakdale, Pa. She died July 6, 1940. He was born March 30, 1864 at Independence, Pa., Washington County and died November 5, 1948. Both are buried in Washington Cemetery, Washington, Pa.

The following children were born:

(1) Charles Fremont Marshall, born October 24, 1890. Undertaker, Oakdale, Pa. He married Bessie Bovard of Oakdale in August 1912. They had the following children 1 Florence Delena, born June 3, 1913. Married Phillip Richard(Dick) Thomas, Oakdale, Pa. undertaker, and their children: (A) Phyllis Rea Thomas, married Stephen Dolinac. Their son Stephen Thomas, born Dec. 29, 1958. (B) Richard Fremont Thomas, born July 1938. Oakdale, Pa. undertaker. Married Darla Cunningham, December 29, 1958 and they have one daughter Kelly Ann, born December 1959. 2, William Clark Marshall, son of Charles Fremont Marshall, was born Jan. 8, 1916. Married Elizabeth Rosenberger, 1939. One son, Wm. Clark Marshall III, March 31, 1940. (1) Charles Fremont Marshall died May 5, 1938 and buried Washington Cemetery, Washington, Pa.

(2) Katharyne Elizabeth Marshall, born June 10, 1893, Washington, Pa. Married May 31, 1917 to Charles Robert Keenan, Oakdale, Pa., born March 14, 1892. Died March 11, 1968 They have two sons: Pgh.
1 - Charles Robert Keenan, Jr., born August 14, 1918. He married Catherine Conley on Sept. 16, 1950, and they have two sons: (A) Charles Robert Keenan III, born July 21, 1954 and (B) Thomas Eugene Keenan, born March 13, 1956.
2 - Ralph Marshall Keenan, born May 17, 1921. He married Elizabeth (Betty) Cotts, Oakdale, Pa. on June 14, 1947. They have three daughters: (A) Jan Marie Keenan, born January 27, 1951. (B) Paige Lee Keenan, born January 30, 1954 and (C) Tracy Rea Keenan, born October 16, 1958.

(3) Hazel Florence Marshall, born December 2, 1896. Married Edward Marble Bissonette, chemist, June 23, 1919. Their three children: 1 - Hazel Jeanne, born May 16, 1920. Married Eugene Head, Feb. 1941 and their three children are: (A) Ronald Head, Feb. 1942. (B) Kathy Jeanne Head, May 4, 1949 and (C) Donald Lynn Head, born Sept. 17, 1955. 2 - Edward Noble Bissonette, born Oct. 2, 1925. His first marriage to Shirley Boland, in the year 1948 and their three children are: (A) Kevin, Jan. 4, 1949. (B) Leslye Bissonette, Feb. 9, 1950 and (C) Vicki Bissonette, Feb. 27, 1951. Second marriage was to Mary Pivac, December 11, 1957 and one son, Dale Allen Bissonette was born Sept. 15, 1958. 3 Shirley Ann, born Feb. 17, 1935. Married to Donald Johnston, New Castle, Pa., Dec. 31, 1956. Their son Eric was born April 15, 1958. (3)- Edward Marble Bissonette was born in Burlington, Vt., Dec. 1893 and died Johnstown, Pa., June 22, 1959 and buried in Johnstown.

(4) Wilma Rea Marshall - Born December 15, 1899. Married Donald Robb Hezlep on Sept. 7, 1926. Their two children: (A) Donald Rea Hezlep, born July 26, 1927. Married Margaret Wright on May 14, 1948. Their children are: Donald Rea Hezlep Jr., born Dec. 14, 1954 and Barbara Jean Hezlep, born Dec. 26, 1956. (B) Mariam Irene Hezlep, born Nov. 19, 1931, and married William Lynch, Dallas, Texas. Their daughter, Mariam Jennifer Lynch, born Aug. 2, 1957. JANABETH LYNCH, BORN SEPT. 2, 1960.

## WINIFRED EOLINE REA

Born April 9, 1862 in Cross Creek Township. Married on June 1, 1887 to William Buchanan, farmer. She died July 9, 1943 and he died March 1909. Both are buried in Independence cemetery. She (Aunt Winnie) was the one in the family who, through the marriage of their paternal grandfather, William Mason Rea to Elizabeth Campbell, - could trace the Campbell history back to the Duke of Argyll of Scotland.

The following children were born:

(1) Elizabeth Lenore (Bess) Buchanan, - born May 29, 1888. Married John A. Elliott, farmer, June 30, 1917. He died May 30, 1935 and is buried WestMiddletown, Pa. (A) A son died at birth. (B) Arthur Rex, married Frances . They have two sons, John Paul Elliott and Richard Rea Elliott. (C) Maxine Romain Elliott, born Feb. 11, 1926 and married Jack Cook Porter. Their two children are: Robin Stewart Porter, Mar. 11, 1954 and Mary Elizabeth Porter, born Dec. 23, 1955.

(2) David Rea Buchanan, born - Married Ellen McClain on Sept. 9, 1914. He died April 13, 1945 and buried Washington, Penna. Their children: (A) Lois Novine Buchanan, born Dec. 31, 1919, married Joseph R. Kisher and their children are: Janice Illene Risher and Harry Randal Risher. (B) William Rea Buchanan, born Mar. 9, 1923 and married Lois E. Their son is David Rea Buchanan.

(3) Hugh Hamilton Buchanan, - born March 1893. Farmer. He married first wife, Florence Gist on January 2, 1918. She died March 29, 1925. He died February 13, 1945. Both are buried in Independence, Pa. Their children are: (A) Catherine Gist Buchanan, born May 16, 1920. She married Clair Blackburn and have one child, Rea Blackburn. (B) Ruth Louise Buchanan, born July 10, 1922. Unmarried. (C) William Hamilton Buchanan, born Apr. 29, 1924. Married Verna Wheeler. Their children are: David Leroy Buchanan, 1946. - William Hamilton Buchanan Jr., 1948 - Janet Wheeler Buchanan, 1951. (3) Hugh Hamilton Buchanan Sr. and second wife, Alice had daughter Darlene.

(4) Winifred Vera Buchanan - (Twin) - born April 5, 1894. Married on January 3, 1918 to Ross A. Leyda, farmer, Eighty-Four, Pa. Ross died July 2, 1956 and buried Washington, Pa. Cemetery. Their son, Duane Ross Leyda, born Sept. 27, 1918, married Elizabeth Lewis, Atlanta, Ga. And their three daughters are: Carol Lynn Leyda, Kay Ann Leyda and _____, born 1957.

(5) William Verne Buchanan - (Twin) - born April 5, 1894. He was married June 27, 1923, to Elizabeth Hazlet. She is a past president of the National Council of Presbyterian Women's Association, Presbyterian Church, U. S. A. Their children: (A) Reverend Calvin Hazlet Buchanan, born April 18, 1924. He married Doris And their children: Gail Elizabeth Buchanan, Douglas Buchanan and Laurie Buchanan. (B) Mary Elizabeth Buchanan, born March 5, 1926 and married Paul Deurig. Their son is William Paul Deurig. (C) Winifred Vera Buchanan, born April 5, 1929. (D) William Verne Buchanan,

## EFFIE LEONI REA

She was born in 1864 in Cross Creek Township, and on June 29, 1904 was married to Harry C. Scott, farmer. He was born in 1869 and died April 12, 1946. She died April 2, 1950. No children. Both are buried in Cross Creek cemetery, Cross Creek, Pa.

## CHARLES MAYNARD REA - (Uncle Charley)

Born November 6, 1865 in Cross Creek Township. Although his occupation is farming he has been active as a church elder and office of Justice of Peace. It was only after he reached about his 90th birthday that he gave up his activity as vice present of the local telephone company at Hickory, Pa. and the secretaryship of the Cross Creek school board of which he was a member. At present he is chaplain of the local farmers grange organization and has currently been serving as chaplain on the installation staff in that body. At the annual Fourth of July - Rea reunions everyone seemed to enjoy Uncle Charley's interesting talks, recitations, and songs for which he sometimes played his own piano accompaniment. On April 8, 1960 he suffered an amputation of his right leg above the knee, due to a chronic circulatory ailment.

On June 21, 1917 he was married to Clare Cookeat her home with the Rev. D. L. Say officiating. Clare Cookewas born June 22, 1883, a daughter of Moses Lyle Cooke, born in Smith Township, April 6, 1850, and her mother was Elizabeth Welsh, born Smith Township in August 16, 1851. Clare Cookdied February 12, 1947 and buried in Cross Creek cemetery.

Linda Jean Rea - m - Robert Dale Cox - July 19 ????

CHARLES MAYNARD REA * (Uncle Charley) continued

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One son, Maynard Cooke Rea, farmer, was born August 6 on the Rea farm. He married Hazel Jane Tustin on April 5, 1946. Their three children are Linda Jean Rea, born June 27, 1947 - Charles Edward Rea, born December 21, 1951 and Deborah Sue, born October 4, 1954

JENNIE EVELRENA REA

Born March 6, 1868 in Cross Creek Township. On November 7, 1889 she was married to David Wilmer Cummings, Cadiz, Ohio - music storo proprietor. He was born August 9, 1866 near West Middletown, Pa. He died Sept. 28, 1946 and buried in Cadiz, Ohio. She died on March 4, 1954 and buried in Cadiz, Ohio. To them the following children were born:

(1) Ethel May Cummings - born September 13, 1890 and died October 6, 1896.

(2) Delbert Cook Cummings - born November 19, 1892 and died October 4, 1896.

(3) Myrtle Rea Cummings - born November 1895. Married Lawrence J. Bowman on June 1, 1920. They have two daughters: (A) Ann Elizabeth Bowman, born June 27, 1923. She married Wayne Rankin and they have three sons; David Wayne Rankin, Glen Bowman Rankin and Evan Lawrence Rankin. (B) Eunice Miriam Bowman, born February 18, 1925. She married John Summers and they have two children: Janet Linn Summers, born 1949 and Scott Allen Summers, born 1952.

(4) Lela Elizaboth Cummings - born, July 1897 and died July 3, 1898.

(5) Vera Eleanor Cummings - born August 3, 1899. Married Mead Gammeter on Sept. 7, 1921. Their son, Edward Cummings Gammeter was born Sept. 13, 1923. He married Dorothy Bice, and their two children are: Roger Gammeter, 1953 and Eric Lee Gammeter.

(6) Nellie Alberta Cummings - born March 17, 1902. Married Chester Adams on July 11, 1925. No children.

TAMAR CATHERINE REA

Born November 27, 1873 in Cross Creek Township. On June 1, 1898 she married Harry Scott Lee, farmer. She died August 1, 1907 and is buried in Cross Creek cemetery. He was born October 14, 1873 and died January 13, 1951; also buried in Cross Creek cemetery. He and his second wife, Mabel Duncan Lee, had no children. To him and Tamar Catherine Rea the following children were born:

(1) Hugh Montford Lee - (Twin)- born June 17, 1900. Married Mabel Glover on June 24, 1937 and their daughter Mabel Eileen Lee was born July 22, 1943.

(2) Harry Lester Lee - (Twin)- born June 17, 1900. Married Florence I. Lee on January 25, 1920. The following children were born: (A) Ann Marie Lee, born Sept. 6, 1921. She married Dennis Sullivan on June 25, 1952. Their two daughters are: Joanne Lee Sullivan, born Feb. 21, 1953 and Barbara Valentina Sullivan, born Feb. 14, 1956. (B) Harry Lester Lee, born Nov. 4, 1924. He married Louise Jackson on February 8, 1947. They have son Donnie Lee. (C) James Craig Lee, born August 30, 1926. Married to June and their children are: Barbara Ann Lee, Douglas Lee, born 1951, Judith Irene Lee, March 1954 and Jacqueline Irene Lee. (D) Mary Tamar Lee, born May 1, 1928. Married Ralph H. Gresser. Their children are: Scott Gresser and Suzanne Lee Gresser was born 1955. (E) Lois Thomasena Lee was born July 28, 1930. She married Robert Cowden on Aug. 20, 1947. Their children: Kenneth Edward Cowden, born Mar. 14, 1948 - Rodney Allen Cowden, born July 11, 1950 - Leslie Cowden, born (F) Jean Ireno Lee, born Jan. 8, 1933. She married Karl William Russell on May 19, 1955. Their son Baur Russell was born May 25, 1956.

(3) Charles Rea Lee - born October 31, 1904. He married Janet Davis on June 13, 1933 and their children are: Janice Dianne Lee, born March 5, 1937 and Charles Rea Lee, born

ELLA ALBERTA REA (Aunt Bertie)

She was born June 9, 1876 in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, Pa. Was married to Walter E. Cozins, August 19, 1909. He originally came from Mercer County. He was elected principal of Burgettstown, Pa. schools in 1906. He died, aged 37 years, on March 10, 1910 in the Tabernacle Infirmiary in Atlanta, Georgia, where he had been admitted following an appendicitis attack March 5 while working for Ferguson Construction Co. in Mulberry, Florida where they then resided. They did not have children. She died on Dec. 9, 1951. Both are buried in the Cross Creek Presbyterian Church Cemetery at Cross Creek, Pa.

## IVA VIOLA REA

Born May 17, 1878 in Cross Creek Township, Washington County, Pa. She married Robert Lester Donaldson, undertaker, Columbus, Ohio, on March 6, 1897. He was born in Washington County, Pa. in 1877 and died in February 1942. She died June 5, 1956. Both are buried in Columbus, Ohio.

Their son, Maynard McClure Donaldson, attorney, was born August 31, 1898. He married Mary Ann Miesse on December 29, 1925. Their children are: (A) Richard Miesse Donaldson, attorney; married Carolyn Cray on August 30, 1952. Their children are: Nancy Ann Donaldson, born July 5, 1953 and Susan Beth Donaldson, born November 15, 1955. (B) Ann Donaldson, married John Aldrich, dentist, June 30, 1952. Their children are: Cynthia Ann Aldrich, born June 1953 - Patricia Donaldson, born Dec. 26, 1954 and _____ 1959.

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## NOTES

Will of William Rea Sr. - deceased - dated Oct. 21, 1856. Probated Aug. 3, 1865 and letters issued to John C. and Charles C. Rea. Recorded in Will Book 9, Page 54, Washington County, Pa.

Will of C. C. Rea - deceased, dated Oct. 22, 1895. Probated Nov. 9, 1900. Letters issued to Charles M. Rea. Recd. will Vol 17 - page 631. Decedent died Oct. 12, 1900.

We do not have a record of any decendants holding membership in the Sons of the American Revolution, but do know of some, including Iva Rea Donaldson, Jennie Rea Cummings and her daughter Myrtle Cummings Bowman, who were approved and accepted into the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Many of us remember our visits to the Rea farm were hardly complete, especially for the younger folks, without a trip up to the woods on the southerly section of the farm where we scaled the house-size rocks which seemed to stand up as huge monuments to meet you. The real test of our courage in climbing was to reach the top of the one rock where an Indian squaw was supposed to have had her garden. These rocks stand as an exhibition, in mute testimony, of the great powerful glacial movement during the Ice Age in this hemisphere.

The lower part of this wooded section, known as the sugar camp, was where the picnics were held. It was here, following the first sign of Spring, that sometimes more than 100 big maple trees were tapped and wooden buckets were set at the base of each tree to catch the sugar water. This was then emptied into a container which was carried on a horse-drawn sled that was moved from tree to tree. The sugar water was transported and emptied into a vat at the nearby sugar house, where it was processed and boiled down into maple syrup in the sectional wood-fired evaporator. Everyone seemed to enjoy the sample tasting which was always in order. There never was any activity in the sugar camp on the Sabbath day and the full buckets of maple water just overflowed until Monday morning.

Our sources of information for the preceeding data were various members of the Rea family connection, and also from the old family bible, clippings and memorandums at the Rea farm home of Mayhard Cooke Rea, Rea, Pa. where Uncle Charley Rea resides. The History of Washington County by Alfred Creigh, LL.D. was of use, as was the History of the Graveyard of Cross Creek Presbyterian Church, supplied by H. Lester Lee of Cross Creek, Pa. Myrtle Cummings Bowman of Bridgeville, Pa. also supplied information which she obtained while on a visit to Martins Creek, Pa.

Charles R. and Katharyne M. Keenan

46 Vincennes Avenue,
Oakdale, Pa.

THE REA FAMILY

Standing (L. to R.) - Mary Elizabeth (Molly), Jenny Evelrena, Charles Maynard, Ida Florence and Winifred Eoline.

Seated (L. to R.) - Effie Leoni, Charles Campbell, Ella Alberta, Iva Viola, Catherine Cook and Tamar Catherine.

# WILLIAM COOK

The following history is taken from notes, made by Clare Cook, which were taken off the Cook Family record, which is on file in the archives at Harrisburg, Pa., and sent to her about 1944. She was the wife of Charles Maynard Rea who is recorded on Page 8 herewith.

William Cook was born about 1700. He and wife with infant son (both names unknown) were shipwrecked while crossing Atlantic Ocean. They also had a son Asa Cook.

Asa Cook had a son, Sylvanus Cook.

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Sylvanus Cook married Tena Lane. Their children were (1) Samuel Cook, (2) Asa Cook, (3) Lydia Cook, (4) Polly Cook and (5) Tena Cook. Sylvanus Cook served 4 years in the Revolutionary War from 1775. Lived in Westmoreland Co., Pa. He was scalped by the Indians.

Samuel Cook was born January 4, 1781 and married Elizabeth McWilliams in Westmoreland Co., Pa., and moved to Wayne Co.,O. in 1816. Children were (1) Sylvanus Cook, born Feb. 28, 1802, (2) Robert Cook, born 1803 and (3) Asa Carpenter Cook, born December 23, 1805. Samuel Cook's and his second wife, Anna Campbell Moore, did not have children.

(3) Asa Carpenter Cook was born December 23, 1805. He was married twice. He and his first wife, Mary Campbell, had the following children:

(1) Elizabeth Ann Cook - married Levi Rudy.
(2) Mary Jane Cook - Archibald Hanna.
(3) William Campbell Cook - Married Ella Fletcher. He was a Civil War veteran and was better known as Uncle Cam. His son Irm Cook was editor of The Columbus Citizen, a Scripps-Howard daily newspaper in Columbus, Ohio. He was buried in Columbus, Ohio.
(4) Catherine Cook - married Charles Campbell Rea, who is recorded on Page 5, herewith.
(5) Jemima Cook - married Jonathan Beam.
(6) Samuel Newton Cook, a writer and better known as Uncle Newt, married Mary (Mollie) Johnson. No Children. Both buried Columbus, Ohio.

*Sara Ellen- memorandum not clear on family connection, but reports her second marriage to Barton Ackerman. He was known as Uncle Bart.

Asa Carpenter Cook's second wife was Margaret Forsyth, and their children were (1) James Cook, (2) Christine Cook, (3) Mary Cook, (4) Jesse Cook and (5) Samuel Cook.

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William Cook (wife unknown)
- Infant son, name unknown
- Asa Cook
- Sylvanus Cook — Tena Lane
  - (1) Samuel Cook — 1st wife- Elizabeth McWilliams; 2nd wife- Anna Campbell Moore (no children)
  - (2) Asa Cook
  - (3) Lydia Cook
  - (4) Polly Cook
  - (5) Tena Cook

(3) Asa Carpenter Cook, Dec. 23, 1805 — 1st wife-Mary Campbell

(1) Elizabeth Ann Cook, M- Levy Rudy
(2) Mary Jane Cook, Mr Archie Hanna
(3) William Campbell Cook, M- Ella Fletcher
(4) Catherine Cook, married Charles Campbell Rea
(5) Jemima Cook, M- Jonathan Beam
(6) Samuel Newton Cook - M- Mary Johnson
*Sara Ellen - ~~second~~ marriage to Barton Ackerman

(1) Sylvanus Cook, Feb. 28, 1802
(2) Robert Cook, 1803

2nd wife-Margaret Forsyth

(1) James Cook
(2) Christine Cook
(3) Mary Cook
(4) Jesse Cook
(5) Samuel Cook

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DAUGHTER OF 2ND WIFE- MARGARET FORSYTH

SARA ELLEN & BARTON ACKERMAN HAD THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN:
1- DR. ERNEST ACKERMAN
2- WM. "
3- CHARLES "
4- HAROLD "
5- IDA "
6- (NAME?) "

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